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TITLE:

A METHOD FOR DETECTING THE CONDITION OF AN ORGANISM

THROUGH THE MEASUREMENT OF PEPTIDES

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 12, 2000, with the time for reply having been extended for two months, or until <u>FEBRUARY 12, 2001</u> please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3 and 10, without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 11, 12 and 13 as follows: